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Inmate Death at FMC Lexington

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Thursday, May 14, 2020, inmate Thomas Krebs tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Medical Center (FMC) Lexington, in Lexington, Kentucky, and was immediately placed in medical isolation. On Sunday, May 24, 2020, Mr. Krebs again tested positive for COVID-19 and was transported to an outside hospital for further treatment and evaluation. On Saturday, June 13, 2020, and Sunday, June 14, 2020, Mr. Krebs tested negative for COVID-19 and was transported back to the institution shortly thereafter. Mr. Krebs was transported to and from the local hospital multiple times over the next few weeks for treatment and evaluation of pre-existing medical conditions. On Thursday, September 24, 2020, Mr. Krebs who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was found unresponsive and subsequently pronounced deceased by institution medical staff.

Mr. Thomas Krebs was a 72-year-old male sentenced in the Southern District of Iowa to a 120-month sentence for Possession of Child Pornography. He had been in custody at FMC Lexington since October 7, 2015.

FMC Lexington is an Administrative security facility that currently houses 1,247 male and female offenders.

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